#### NIH Roadmap for Medical Research

# Institutional Clinical and Translational Science Awards (CTSA)

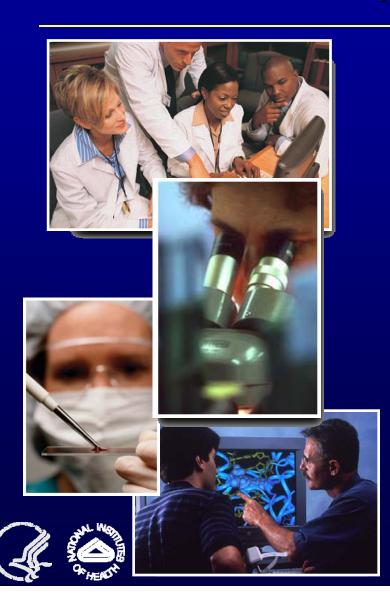
**Building an Academic Home** 

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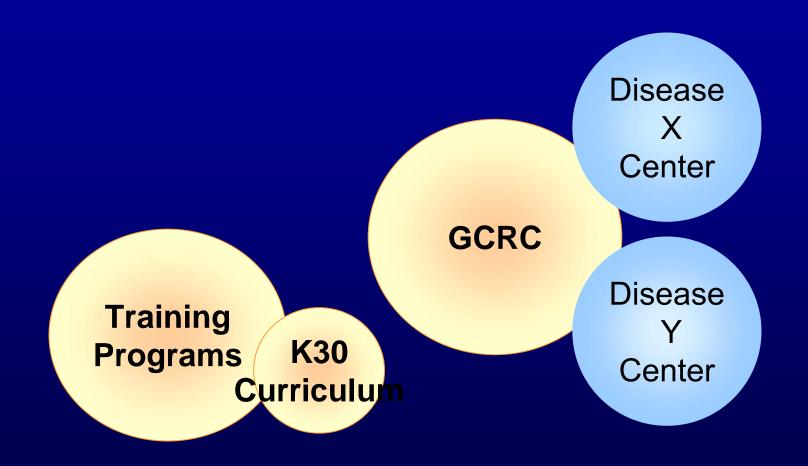


## A Transforming Approach: NIH Institutional Clinical and Translational Science Awards (CTSA)



- Implementing biomedical discoveries made in the last 10 years demands an evolution of clinical science
- New prevention strategies and treatments must be developed, tested, and brought into medical practice more rapidly
- CTSA awards will lower barriers between disciplines, and encourage creative, innovative approaches to solve complex medical problems
- These clinical and translational science awards will catalyze change -- breaking silos, breaking barriers, and breaking conventions

## Where are we starting from?





#### How is this transformation achieved?

- Through the NIH Roadmap for Medical Research, create an integrated environment for the clinical and translational researcher that can provide:
  - an academic home for clinical research (a Center, Department, or Institute [C/D/I])
  - support for protocol preparation, regulatory compliance and data management
  - support for participant recruitment, human subject safety monitoring
  - education leading to advanced degrees in clinical research
  - specialized cores and services for translational research



## NIH CTSA Awards: A Home for Clinical and Translational Science





#### **Definitions**

Clinical Research covers all studies of diseases and trials of treatments that take place in human subjects

Translational Research describes the steps between a fundamental discovery and its application in clinical medicine. For example:

- 1) Testing a new anti-cancer drug in humans for the first time
- 2) Identifying best practices in the diagnosis, prevention or management of a disease and enhancing their adoption by the community.



#### **FY2006 CTSA Funding Opportunities**

- RM-06-002: Institutional Clinical and Translational Science Award RFA
- RM-06-001: Planning Grant RFA for Institutional CTSAs
  - Allows more time to prepare a CTSA application
  - One time solicitation for one-year award
  - ~50 awards, \$150K direct costs; \$11.5 M total



- ➤ Domestic institutions, universities, academic health centers, or other organizations conducting clinical and translational research.
- ➤ A graduate school accredited to award higher degrees in clinical research must be included.
- ➤ Partnerships with independent and other research institutions are strongly encouraged.
- Institutions can only submit, or be part of, a single application.
- ➤ Applicants should show evidence of significant institutional commitment.



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>Excludes foreign institutions



A graduate school accredited to award higher degrees in clinical research must be included.

- The graduate school could be at an affiliate rather than the applicant institution. Prior awarding of higher degrees in clinical research (MS, PhD) is expected.
- ➤ By requiring a degree-granting academic program, NIH expects to create en environment that will foster the development of clinical and translational science as a distinct discipline



The opportunities offered through a CTSA should be wide ranging. Participation by multiple schools (e.g., nursing, pharmacy, dentistry, engineering, to name a few) and partnerships with independent and other research institutions are strongly encouraged.

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The PI should have direct knowledge and hands-on involvement in the daily activities of the C/D/I - an established clinician scientist who reports directly to an official with broad trans-institutional authority.



## CTSA Objectives: Speed Discoveries to Improved Patient Care

- Develop a distinct discipline for clinical and translational science at institutions across the country
- Provide opportunities and resources for original research on novel methods
- Develop translational technologies and a knowledge base for the full spectrum of clinical and translational science
- Synergize partnerships with industry, foundations, and community physicians
- Train the interdisciplinary teams who will conduct the clinical and translational research of the future



### **CTSA Funding**

- Up to \$6 million in total costs per year in addition to combined current total costs of certain NIH awards
  - NCRR: K12, K30, M01 (GCRC)
  - Roadmap: T32 and K12
- Approximately \$30 M to support 4 –7 awards in FY 2006, in addition to amounts from existing awards
- Length of awards: 5 years
- Plan to expand to 60 awards, costing in aggregate up to \$500 M, by 2012
- Funded by NIH Roadmap for Medical Research and Existing NIH Programs



#### FY 2006 Timeline for Planning Grants and CTSAs

-October 12, 2005: Published RFAs (CTSA and

**Planning Grant)** 

-October 17, 2005: CTSA Pre-Submission Meeting

-February 27, 2006: Letters of Intent due

-March 27, 2006: Applications due

-Summer 2006: Review applications

-September 2006: Fund Grants



#### **More Information**





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#### New Pathways to Discovery

- ▶ <u>Building Blocks, Biological Pathways, and</u> Networks
- ▶ Molecular Libraries and Imaging
- Structural Biology
- ▶ Bioinformatics and Computational Biology
- ▶ Nanomedicine

#### Research Teams of the Future

- ▶ High-Risk Research
  - NIH Director's Pioneer Award
- ▶ Interdisciplinary Research
- ▶ Public-Private Partnerships

#### Re-engineering the Clinical Research Enterprise

#### What's New

- ▶ Press Release: NIH Launches Major Program to Transform Clinical and Translational Science
- ▶ RFA: Planning Grants for Institutional Clinical and Translational Science Awards
- ▶ RFA: Institutional Clinical and Translational Science Award
- ▶ Meeting: Interdisciplinary Research Centers Workshop
- ▶ Press Release: 2005 NIH Director's Pioneer Award Recipients Announced
- ▶ Press Release: NIH Roadmap
  Continues to Move Forward on All Fronts
- Meeting Summary: BAA Roadman

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